

IN THE ABSTRACT:

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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An imaging element is disposed behind a group of objective lenses, and a retractable quick-return half-mirror is disposed in the direction of an observation optical system between the group of objective lenses and the imaging element. A plane glass for correcting a change in image-formation position caused by retraction of the quick-return half-mirror is inserted into the optical path of the imaging optical system in association with the retraction of the quick-return mirror from the optical axis of the imaging optical system. The quick-return half-mirror has a pair of flat surfaces that are inclined relative to one another for correcting an image-formation positional deviation in the optical axis crossing direction.